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The Honorable Spencer Abraham
Secretary
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Secretary Abraham:

We commend Dr. Ray Orbach, Director of the Office of Science, for bringing forward "Facilities for the Future: A Twenty Year Outlook." The process for developing this plan is noteworthy in its inclusion of the interests of the scientific constituencies of the Department of Energy. By broadly involving the scientific community and advisory apparatus of the Department, Dr. Orbach has developed a plan that will advance the many fields of science essential to the Department of Energy's missions.

The construction of the major research facilities outlined in this plan will greatly strengthen the health of our Nation's scientific enterprise. We stand ready to apply our capabilities for advancing this plan to serve scientists from universities, industry, and the national laboratories. All of us endorse and strongly support this plan.

Sincerely,

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